

The hearing will be held in room 485, Russell Senate Building.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. SHELBY. Mr. President, the Committee on the Judiciary requests unanimous consent to conduct a hearing on Wednesday, September 15, 1999 beginning at 10:00 a.m. in Room 226 Dirksen.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

Mr. SHELBY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Rules and Administration be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, September 15, 1999 at 9:30 a.m. to mark up an original omnibus committee funding resolution for the period October 1, 1999 through February 28, 2001.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

Mr. SHELBY. Mr. President, I wish to announce that the Committee on Rules and Administration will meet on Wednesday, September 15, 1999 at 9:30 a.m. in Room SR-301 Russell Senate Office Building, to mark up an original omnibus committee funding resolution for the period October 1, 1999 through February 28, 2001.

For further information concerning this meeting, please contact Tamara Somerville at the Rules Committee on 4-6352.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

Mr. SHELBY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, September 15, 1999 at 2:00 p.m. to hold a closed hearing on intelligence matters.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, AND SPACE

Mr. SHELBY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Science, Technology, and Space Subcommittee of the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet on Wednesday, September 15, 1999, at 2:30 p.m. on Telemedicine Technologies and Rural Health Care.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

VOLUNTEERISM AND COMMUNITY SPIRIT

• Mr. GREGG. Mr. President, New Hampshire is a place where community spirit and volunteerism is still a big part of our culture and it is partly for that reason that our state is consistently ranked as one of the most livable

places in the United States. One of the reasons why our state remains one of the best places to live is that we try to limit the amount of government intrusion into our lives. Unfortunately that message has not gotten through to some people who work in the Forest Service in New Hampshire.

The White Mountain National Forest, which is overseen by the U.S. Forest Service, provides outdoor recreation and economic opportunities for thousands of people who live and work nearby. Preserving this national forest takes a lot of dedication and hard work and many people contribute to keeping the forest in good shape by volunteering their time to clear trails of debris and pick up trash.

In fact, over the summer, two retirees, Frank Barilone, 67, and Ted Matte, 66, both of Ellsworth, were cleaning up Ellsworth Park Beach, which had become littered with an old bob house, rotted rowboats, and assorted cans and bottles and other trash. They had been coming to the area for over 30 years and had both recently decided to retire to the area. They took the initiative to discuss the trash problem with the local Forest Service office in Holderness which told them to go ahead and clean it up which they did. As a reward for their hard work, the Forest Service fined them \$150 for "maintaining the national forest without a permit," which happens to be a federal offense.

It seems to me that the Forest Service has it all backwards. Instead of thanking Mr. Barilone and Mr. Matte for their hard work, the Forest Service gave them a slap in the face in the form of a ticket and a \$150 fine. Most people expect the Forest Service to ticket people who pollute the forest, not people who try to clean it up. The Forest Service's decision to fine these two retirees \$150 for cleaning up Ellsworth Park will discourage, not encourage, the public to take a greater role in the protection of our state's natural resources.

So on behalf of the people of New Hampshire, I thank Mr. Barilone and Mr. Matte for volunteering their time to help clean up our national forest. Their can-do attitude is what makes New Hampshire such a great place to live. Keep up the good work!•

IN RECOGNITION OF FRANKLIN DELANO GARRISON

• Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to a true champion for working people from my home State of Michigan, Frank Garrison, who is retiring this month from his position as president of the Michigan AFL-CIO after more than 40 years in the labor movement.

In many ways, Frank's life story is the story of the labor movement itself over these past 65 years. Born Franklin Delano Garrison in 1934, during the depths of the Great Depression, he was named for the President who gave hope

to millions of working Americans and whose Works Projects Administration provided Frank's father with a job. At the age of 10, Frank entered the workforce himself, shoveling coal into his school's boilers so his brothers and sisters could eat lunch at school.

While these early years taught Frank the value of work, they also taught him that to achieve their piece of the American dream, working people needed strong advocates, both in the workplace and in government. He joined the United Auto Workers in 1952 working at the Saginaw Steering Gear plant in Saginaw, Michigan. Once in the union, the same work ethic that filled that school boiler with coal helped Frank rise through the ranks. He held several positions in his local and his region on his way to becoming the UAW's Legislative Director in 1976 and the Executive Director of the Union's Community Action Program in 1982. During those years, he played a key role in many election campaigns and even helped an upstart former President of the Detroit City Council win a seat in the United States Senate.

In 1986, after the sudden death of Michigan AFL-CIO President Sam Fishman, Frank was selected president by the AFL-CIO's General Board. Throughout the thirteen years he has served in that position he has upheld the finest traditions of the labor movement. In an era when special interests tried to dominate the political debate, Frank's was a voice that spoke for the broad interest of working people, whether or not they ever carried a union card—fighting for a higher minimum wage, for health care for all, to strengthen Social Security and Medicaid and to preserve those industrial jobs that had brought economic security to working families in Michigan and throughout the country. Few Americans have fought longer or harder for working people than Frank Garrison. His pursuit of justice in the workplace has improved opportunity and security and safety for an untold number of Americans.

And through it all, the good times and the bad, the victories and the defeats, Frank never lost touch with the convictions that brought him to the labor movement in the first place. And he never lost that twinkle in his eye or the ability to fill a room with laughter, sometimes at my expense, but more often at his own. He has been a strong leader, a wise counselor, but most of all a loyal friend.

Mr. President, Frank Garrison has earned the respect and gratitude of so many people from my home state of Michigan both within and without the labor movement, and across the political spectrum. I know my colleagues will join me in wishing him and his family well in his well deserved retirement, and in offering him a heartfelt "thank you" for his lifelong commitment to improving the lives of working men and women and their families.•